

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Accordingly, there is examined a new processing method that uses no resist process. As one example, there is being proposed a plasma processing apparatus equipped with a microplasma source 99 as shown in Fig. 16. The construction is proposed in detail in, for example, the first patent reference of the company's own application ~~that has not yet been laid open: Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-254324~~ that has been published as Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 2004-146773 which was filed as claiming priority of Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-254324.